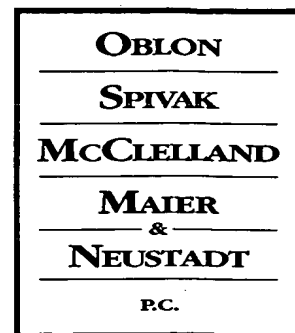




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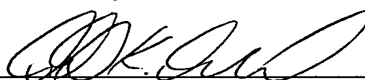
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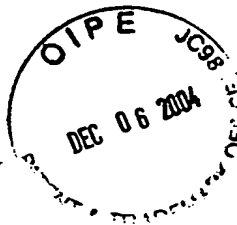
  
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In response to the Office Action dated November 16, 2004, Applicants elect, with traverse, for search purposes only, species (2) an optical recording medium with specified pattern configuration of concaves and convexes, for examination. Claims 5-9 and 17 read on the elected species.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner is requiring an election of species of the above-identified application as follows:

- (1) an optical recording medium with specified color arrangement in the cured resins;
- and
- (2) an optical recording medium with specified pattern configuration of concaves and convexes.